FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 12, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2451 - HB 2794**

This bill, if enacted, will expand the current 25% fee discount program for children of licensed public school teachers to include full-time certified teachers in any public school in Tennessee as being eligible to receive the 25% discount on tuition at any state college or university or Tennessee technology center.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures of approximately \$909,000 to offset lost tuition revenues to the schools of approximately \$909,000. This estimate is based on the following assumptions:

- 1. There were 48,479 classroom teachers in FY 1994-95.
- 2. Participation rate is estimated to be 10%.
- 3. Each teacher participant will take an average of two courses per year, including summer, or the equivalent of six semester hours per year.
- 4. Average graduate maintenance fee of \$125 per hour or \$750 per year.

Approx. # of employees	48,479
Participation rate	<u>10</u> %
Est. Upper level participation	4,848
Est. Maint. Fee Per Yr.	\$750
25% Discount	\$188 (25% of \$750)

Est. Inc. in State Expend. \$909,000 (\$750 x .25 x 4,848)

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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